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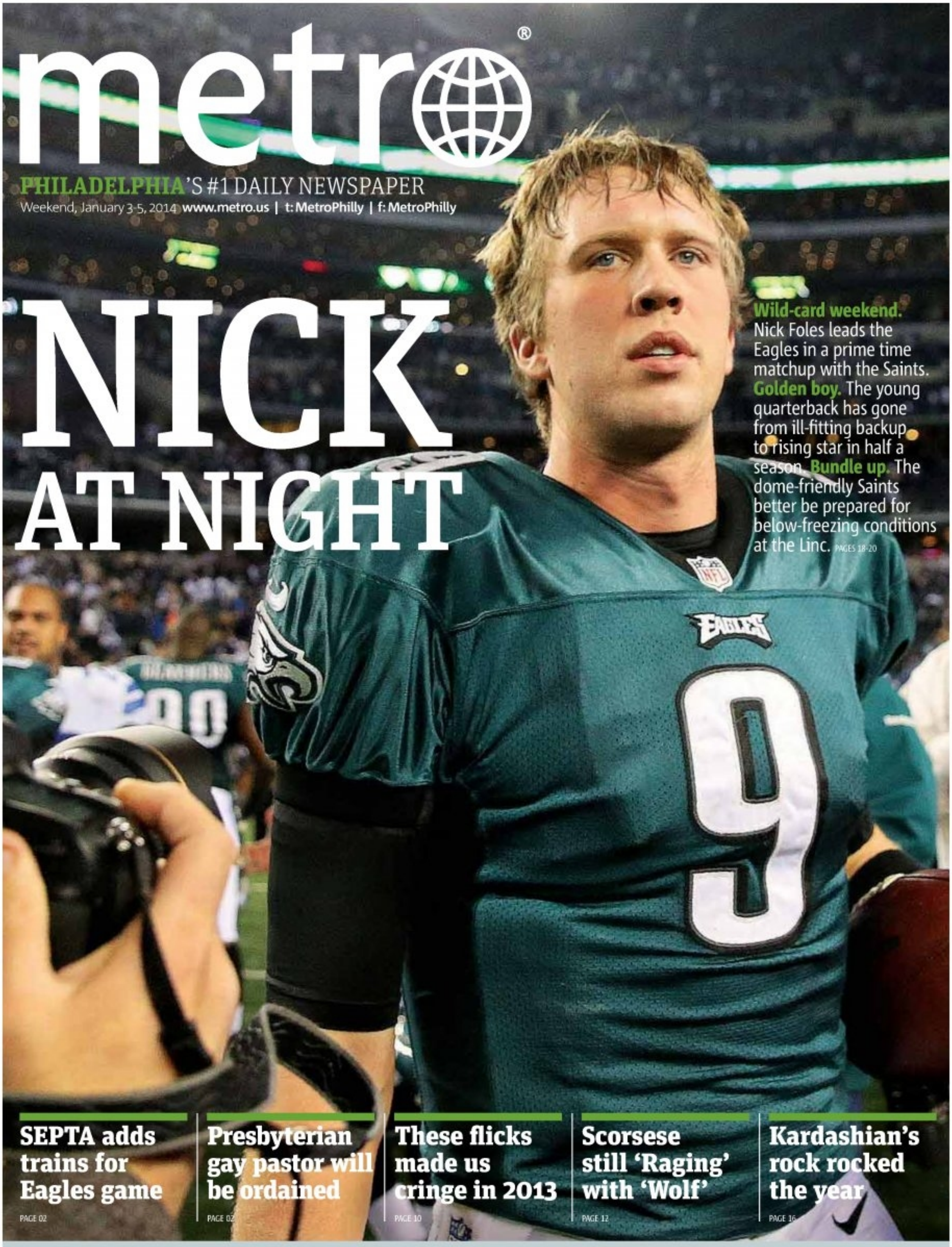
Wild-card weekend. Nick Foles leads the Eagles in a prime time matchup with the Saints. **Golden boy.** The young quarterback has gone from ill-fitting backup to rising star in half a season. **Bundle up.** The dome-friendly Saints better be prepared for below-freezing conditions at the Linc. PAGES 18-20



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Local Tweet

"@Eagles Some snow, temps in the 20's and the Linc. There won't be any saints marching around here on saturday. #FlyEaglesFly"

Get your popcorn, er, shovel ready, @BMoney215.

Presbyterian church ordains first gay pastor

A first. David Norse wants to encourage more LGBT Philadelphians to find safety in his church.

David Norse is opening doors.

The openly gay Presbyterian from Sherwood, Ore., will be ordained on Sunday as the city's first openly gay Presbyterian pastor.

Broad Street Ministry, which will ordain Norse during its 4 p.m. service, prides itself on offering "hospitality to everyone who passes through our big red doors," Norse said.

As he accepts his position as pastoral assistant, Norse said he wants to show gay, lesbian, bisexuals and transgender residents not to fear walking into the Presbyterian church on South Broad Street near Pine.

"Because I'm here," he said.

Rev. Bill Golderer, the convening minister of BSM, said in a news release that whom someone loves "has never been a obstacle to fully participating in our church. We have always welcomed anyone wanting to share in God's love and participate in God's mission on Earth.

David Norse / PROVIDED

"While David's sexual orientation is an important part of his identity, he sees himself first and foremost as someone called to pastor God's people," Golderer said.

Norse, 27, a graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary, moved to Philadelphia in September after graduation.

Norse said he expects to see an increase in LGBT members joining religious ministries.

"It's not because of their sex orientation that they are called," he said.

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Resume

David Norse moved from his home in Sherwood, Ore., to attend the Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, N.J.

- He moved to Philly in September to work alongside Broad Street Ministries.
- As a pastoral assistant, he will help build community programs and provide counseling to community members.

All salted up and ready to go

Philadelphia Streets Department workers load up salt trucks Thursday ahead of last night's major snowstorm. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER, METRO

On time. SEPTA adds more trains for Eagles game Saturday night

SEPTA is ensuring that Philadelphia Eagles fans get to the playoff game on time this Saturday night.

The game against the New Orleans Saints starts at 8:10 p.m. at Lincoln Financial Field, but beginning at 5:48 p.m. the first of 14 "sports express" trains on the Broad Street Line will ferry fans to the stadium.

They will be making stops at Fern Rock, Erie, Olney, Spring Garden, Race-Vine, City Hall and Walnut-Locust stations on their way to AT&T station near the Linc. These extra trains will run in addition to the regularly scheduled local train service.

The Market Frankfort Line will also see more trains with a free connection to the Broad Street Line at the 15th Street station.

When the game is over, SEPTA officials said, trains will be waiting for fans at AT&T station.

SEPTA will also have its iSEPTAPhilly promotional team at the stadium for pregame festivities.

There's a booth set up for people to pose for pictures on social media and to win a chance to practice a "touchdown" throw in the Bus Toss Game.

Trains and buses will be decked out in Eagles wraps that say, "The world's greatest fans ride these trains." METRO

Delaware

Older casino patrons robbed in parking lot

Two Maryland men robbed a man and a woman at Delaware Park Casino on New Year's Eve, state police said.

Jordan, left, and Ross. / DSP

The two Elkton, Md., men — Tyree S. Jordan, 27, and Anthony L. Ross, 23 — were charged with robbing a 75-year-old man and a 47-year-old woman inside a casino parking lot, police said.

About 7 p.m. Tuesday, the two patrons were walking through the parking lot when they were approached by a man who snatched the woman's purse and ran into a waiting Chrysler Sebring with the accomplice in the driver's seat, state police said.

The man tried to get the purse, but the attacker slammed his hand in the car door. METRO

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Catholic admin free from prison

Reversal. Msgr. William Lynn is out on bail, but the case isn't over yet.

Msgr. William Lynn was released from a Wayne County state prison Thursday, having surrendered his passport and been fitted with an electronic monitoring bracelet. He is out on bail while an appeal by District Attorney Seth Williams is pending.

Lynn was convicted in 2012 of endangering the welfare of a child on the grounds that he knowingly assigned Edward Avery, a priest who had molested a boy, to St. Jerome's Parish in Philadelphia, where he allegedly molested another boy.

A panel of three judges with the Pennsylvania Superior Court overturned Lynn's conviction Dec. 26 and ordered him released.

D.A. Williams said the court was wrong, based on the logic of Commonwealth v. Mack, a 1976 case, which states that child endangerment laws should be applied for "broad protective purposes" in line with "the common sense of the community."

Lynn's lawyer, Thomas Bergstrom, said the Mack case does not apply.

"It's really not a precedent at all," he said. "The D.A.'s been wrong on all counts, on all fronts, on all arguments."

Lynn received undisclosed assistance from the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in posting bail.

He had served 18 months of his original three- to six-year sentence.

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Prison time

The evidence against him:

- Msgr. William Lynn, secretary of the Archdiocese '92-'04.
- Assigned Edward Avery in 1993 to St. Jerome's Parish.
- Admitted to knowing Avery had molested a child.

Quoted

"There's some doubt about whether Msgr. Lynn can be criminally prosecuted for his wrongdoing. There is no doubt, however, that he did wrong."

SNAP (Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests)

Holding up the Philadelphia skyline

A construction worker secures rigging on a building under construction at 17th and Vine streets. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER, METRO

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Vandals steal safe from state store

Thieves made off with a safe suspected to contain $150,000 from the Wine and Spirits store on the 3700 block of Main Street on the morning after New Year's Day, reports say. METRO

Sexual assault

Teenage girl raped on New Year's Day

Police are investigating the rape of a teenage girl in South Philadelphia on Wednesday night after she reportedly had attended the Mummers Parade.

The girl, 16, was walking in the area of Second and Tree streets when she was pulled behind a piece of plastic covering a section of scaffolding and sexually assaulted, several reports say.

Residents in the area came out to investigate the girl's screams, and they spotted the suspect walking away from the area. The suspect was taken into custody a few blocks away by police working the parade.

The victim may have been intoxicated.

She was taken to Children's Hospital of Philadelphia for evaluation. METRO

By the numbers

16

The age of the victim

Fired. Thirteen city employees lose jobs over 'double-dipping'

Some city employees got a wake-up call this week after it was announced that 13 parks and recreation workers in violation of the city's Home Rule charter, which prohibits them from working for other government agencies, have lost their jobs.

"The charter has been enforced on and off over the years," said Philadelphia Inspector General Amy Kurland. "The provision was vague. During some mayoral administrations it was being enforced, and during some it was not. Some people believed that it was OK to have both jobs."

After an investigation that began in March, 13 employees received letters that they were in violation of city code. Some resigned immediately.

Those who did not were served with notices of a 30-day suspension with intent to dismiss on the day after Christmas, according to Kurland.

All 13 were part-time recreation leaders. They include 10 full-time schoolteachers, two U.S. Postal Service workers and one Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office investigator.

"If someone is a schoolteacher, and they're full-time for the school district, he or she is also accumulating a city pension. It's sort of double-dipping," Kurland said.

Inspector General Kurland has asked City Controller Alan Butkovitz to assist in conducting a citywide audit for other violations of the charter, she said.

The names of the employees who lost their jobs were not released. They will face no fines or criminal charges.

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In hiding until next year

Members of the Saturnalian NYA Mummers fancy brigade unload clown props as they pack up the gear from their New Year's Day performance. / CHARLES MOSTOLLER, METRO

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Blast. Powerful storm brings Arctic cold, snow to Northeast

The first major winter storm of 2014 bore down on the northeastern United States with heavy snow, Arctic temperatures and strong winds that snarled travel just as many people were returning from holiday breaks.

The wide storm system stretched from the lower Mississippi Valley to the Atlantic coast, with parts of New England including Boston bracing for as much as 14 inches of snow by Friday morning. Some cities along the storm's southern edge expected only minimal snowfall.

The storm is expected to snarl traffic on the I-95 highway corridor between New York and Boston, the weather service said. Coastal flooding was forecast along low-lying parts of New England, and some waterfront highways in Massachusetts were closed by midday Thursday due to high waters.

The weather service said the mass of Arctic air would drop temperatures to levels 20 to 30 degrees below normal, with record lows possible on Friday.

In Boston, public schools were told to close on Friday, extending students' holiday break by a day. **REUTERS**

Forecasted snow totals

4-6
4-6 inches in Philadelphia

4-8
4-8 inches in New York City

8-14
8-14 inches in Boston

People walk along West 59th Street bundled up against the cold on Thursday in New York. / GETTY IMAGES

Opinion

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UNLIKE THE NFL, SMALL PLAYS WIN IN POLITICS

With the NFL playoffs roaring to life, like millions of other fans I am eager to see every jaw-dropping highlight: the fingertip catches, the impossible punt returns and the thunderclap sacks. "Yes!" I'll shout, each time one of these gridiron miracles occurs. I'll jump up from the sofa, fist pumping the air while the dog runs and my wife's eyes roll.

And I'll make no apology, even if I spill the chips and dip. Everyone likes to see a big play.

But I also harbor no illusions. Successful teams are not anchored by these marquee moments. Oh sure, all championship teams will see their fair share, but they enjoy that opportunity because game in and game out they play fundamentally good football. And that means they compromise.

A team can't draft new players purely to produce a great defense if the offense is lacking. They can't spend every dollar on a great quarterback without a strong line to protect him. A coach can't tell his team to blitz, run or pass at every chance.

And (here comes the turn) neither can politicians.

As 2014 dawns, whether you are a Democrat, a Republican, a Tea Partier or an independent, you may be aching for some highlight reel plays from your team — dramatic, earthshaking legislation to smash the D.C. gridlock. And while there is certainly nothing wrong with that desire, I'd like to pose a simple suggestion based on years of watching government at all levels: Fight the urge.

Big, encompassing, one-size-fits-all legislation rarely passes without extraordinary circumstances, and even then it often comes with many complications.

But steady, small steps toward better government? These provoke less opposition, are many times rooted in reasonable, acceptable compromise, and they tend to win ... even as the Hail Mary plays, while often producing headlines, seldom produce results.

Quoted

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Not so friendly skies

Winter storm scrubbed flights

As the snow moved out of the Midwest toward the East Coast, bad weather contributed to 1,620 flights being canceled and 3,465 delayed as of Thursday afternoon, according to FlightAware, an airline tracking service in Houston. Chicago's O'Hare International Airport had 862 flights scrubbed, followed by Newark Liberty International Airport in New Jersey with 329.

Winter storm warnings and weather advisories stretched from Illinois to Maine and as far south as Georgia.

In Cleveland, 8 to 10 inches were expected to fall and Pittsburgh may get 3 to 5, according to the weather service.

Hardest hit will be the New England coast from Maine to Cape Cod and Long Island. **BLOOMBERG**

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CULTURE

Sorry, nerds

Most overrated

Joss Whedon has a huge fanbase, almost all of whom praised his "Much Ado About Nothing," despite it being amateurish, sloppily filmed and (save Amy Acker) poorly acted.

Cinema. 2013 was a great year for movies. But here are the ones that made us sad.

WORST OF THE WORST

Tom Hanks does a decent Walt Disney in the evil "Saving Mr. Banks." / FRANÇOIS DUHAMEL

1 'The ABCs of Death' Twenty-six short films and not one that's better than just OK? Where the "V/H/S" anthology horror series stepped up its game this year, this new franchise crashed right out of the gate. Watching it is like forever peering around the corner, waiting for quality that never comes.

2 'CBGB' The legendary nightclub where American punk and New Wave were born was boarded up over a silly rental dispute. That's only a slightly worse fate than the biopic it received, which is by turns cheesy, wildly miscast and annoyingly disrespectful, dwelling on its filth and ramshackleness in lieu of the music.

3 'Saving Mr. Banks' Disney has long been a punching bag for the way it programs questionable beliefs into impressionable young minds, but few things they've done are as blatantly Bond villain-ish evil as this bastardization of the making of "Mary Poppins." Author P.L. Travers hated the film made of her books. Now that she's long dead, the company has erected a fib in which she didn't totally — she was just a grump with some daddy issues.

4 'Now You See Me' Guys, this movie makes no sense. A lot of blockbuster fare pushes the boundaries of basic realism, but this surprise sleeper hit — about a gang of Robin Hood magicians who may have ties to a gang of centuries-old sorcerers or something — so relentlessly strains credibility, lacking even its own internal, consistent logic, that it's admittedly impressive.

5 'Upside Down' We feel bad adding to the pile of vitriol heaped upon this international boondoggle, which took a sci-fi premise — a planet with double gravity — and married it to a sub-soap opera "Romeo and Juliet" plot, complete with convenient amnesia. It cost a lot and it tanked, while co-star Kirsten Dunst (opposite a comically moony Jim Sturgess, prattling on about "the secret of the pink bees") looks hugely embarrassed to be involved at all.

6 'Adore' The most boring movie ever made in which Naomi Watts and Robin Wright bang each other's sons, this either needed to be a dark comedy or a surreal fantasy. Instead it played it straight and, even with a terrific Wright performance, became an unintentional snickerfest.

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Envy the dead

'World War Z'

The world's first mega-budgeted zombie film is, predictably, compromised. It's not the goreless PG-13 rating that killed it; it's the profound lack of fun, embodied by Brad Pitt as his most tiresomely serious. Admittedly, things perk up in the third act, but even that gives "In the Loop" master swearer (and new "Doctor Who" star) Peter Capaldi nothing to do. Because having him shout insults at zombies would have been too entertaining.

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Interview. Martin Scorsese says you'd have to stop him from making movies.

Martin Scorsese loves talking about other filmmakers' pictures: witness his numerous documentaries on cinema history. But occasionally he's up for talking about his own. His latest, "The Wolf of Wall Street," is an even more hedonistic romp than "Goodfellas," with more nefarious villains: stockbrokers (led by Leonardo DiCaprio) who, from the '80s through the '90s, preyed on the dupes and made a fortune.

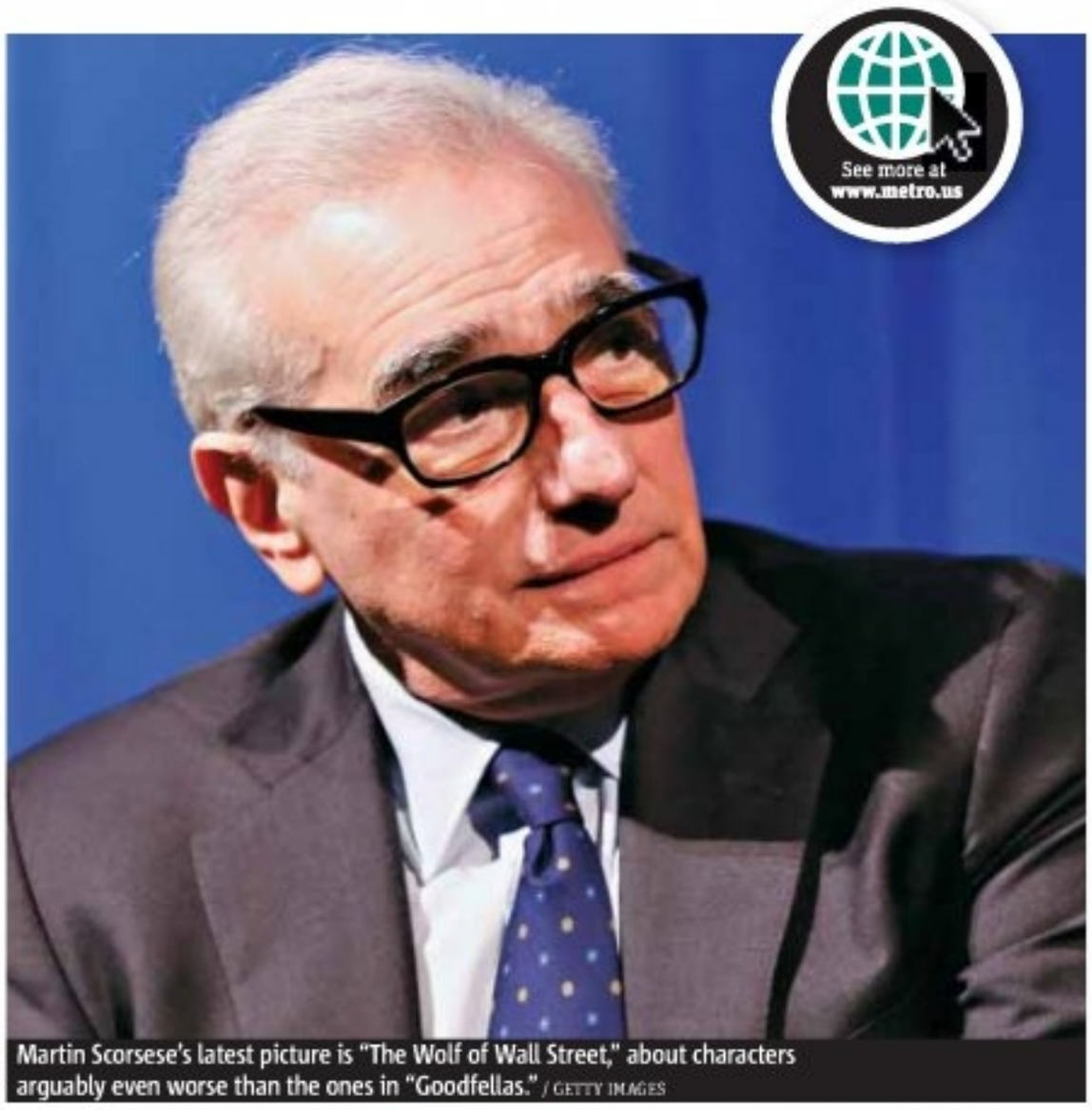
On how he's slow to get to projects: "I read the script [for 'The Wolf of Wall Street'] many times. For me, when something is given to me by other people, I don't necessarily respond to it right away. [With] 'The King of Comedy' — that was 10 years before I was able to come around to it. 'Raging Bull' took six, seven years. I have to find my own way with them, I think."

On taking on risky projects (like this): "The issue is: Is it worth fighting for? Because it's all about fighting, unfortunately. It's not about good people or bad people — it's about what [the execs] need, what they want to do, what could deliver for the marketplace. It might not be worth it at a certain time in your life."

On the new Hollywood: "I don't know who's calling the shots anymore. Seriously. The cinema we know and the cinema we took seriously when we were growing up, it's all changed now. Particularly in a marketplace like this. …. Everything's about where the money is."

On not wanting to meet his real-life protagonist, Jordan Belfort: "I did the same with Henry Hill ["Goodfellas"]. I never met him. I spoke to him once on the phone and that was it. Because they're very persuasive. … They're fascinating, but they can be persuasive."

On shooting the comical quaaludes set piece, in which DiCaprio's character tries to drive after the pills make him lose control of his body: "The funniest part for me is when he finally crawls out [the door of a country club] and you see he has to get into the car. … I had forgotten that the door of his Lamborghini opens up [not sideways]. I said, 'I don't know, try doing it with your legs.' It's physical comedy, like Jerry Lewis and Jacques Tati."



Martin Scorsese's latest picture is "The Wolf of Wall Street," about characters arguably even worse than the ones in "Goodfellas." / GETTY IMAGES

Only human

On the despicable characters in his movies

"They're human beings. And we are not all one thing, are we? We're capable of many different things in different circumstances. … I'm interested in people who are good who do bad things."

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On unfounded rumors he's retiring

"You'd have to stop me yourself. You'd have to tackle me to stop me."

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THE HOBBIT: THE DESOLATION OF SMAUG (PG-13) 12:45, 6:40. Digital Presentation
THE HUNGER GAMES: CATCHING FIRE (PG-13) Fri and Sat 7:10, 10:00. Digital Presentation; Sun 7:10. Digital Presentation
SAVING MR. BANKS (PG-13) Fri 1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 10:40. Digital Presentation; Sat 10:40-1:20-4:10-7:00-10:40. Digital Presentation; Sun 10:40-1:20-4:10-7:00. Digital Presentation
THE SECRET LIFE OF WALTER MITTY (PG) Fri 1:10, 4:00, 8:00, 10:50. Digital Presentation; Sat 10:05-1:10-4:00-8:00-10:50. Digital Presentation; Sun 10:05-1:10-4:00-8:00. Digital Presentation
WALKING WITH DINOSAURS (PG) Fri 12:30, 5:25. Digital Presentation; Sat and Sun 12:35-5:25. Digital Presentation
WALKING WITH DINOSAURS 3D (PG) Fri 3:20. RealD 3D; Sat and Sun 10:20-3:20. RealD 3D
THE WOLF OF WALL STREET (R) Fri 12:55, 4:15, 6:45, 10:05. Digital Presentation; Sat 10:00-12:55-4:15-6:45-10:05. Digital Presentation; Sun 10:00-12:55-4:15-6:45. Digital Presentation

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FROZEN (PG) Fri 3:25, 6:00. Digital Presentation; Sat and Sun 12:40-3:25-6:00. Digital Presentation
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Everyone's a big loser

Fogey comedy. Two legends duke it out in a movie that's just lazy.

Kevin Hart tries to sell the idea of Sylvester Stallone and Robert De Niro doing a big fogey fight. / WARNER BROS. PICTURES

"Versus" movies are the biggest cons in the business. There was never going to be a victor in "King Kong vs. Godzilla" or "Freddy vs. Jason" — just an anticlimactic draw that takes our money and doesn't deliver. Technically — technically! — "Grudge Match," which pits one boxing movie legend (Robert De Niro) against another (Sylvester Stallone), lets one triumph over the other. That doesn't mean it's not a cheat, or not incredibly lazy.

Review

'Grudge Match'

Director: Peter Segal

Stars: Sylvester Stallone, Robert De Niro

Rating: PG-13

Through a montage featuring creepy F/X that digitizes and messes with 30-year-old film clips, we learn that Sly's Billy "The Kid" and De Niro's Henry "Razor" Sharp once had a rivalry that ended when the former abruptly quit before a decisive match. Billy, like Rocky, lost his fortune, and works a dead-end factory job. Even then it takes some arm-twisting from an excitable promoter (Kevin Hart) to get Billy to agree to a super-belated, old-fashioned fogey fight.

The best thing about "Grudge Match" is the lack of lame old-timer jokes and — especially, but especially — Viagra gags. It doesn't belabor their age so much as their various regrets. Henry has a son (Jon Bernthal) he never met, while Billy finally contends with the idea that he didn't spend his life with an old flame (Kim Basinger — surely Sly's most out-of-his-league onscreen mate since Sharon Stone in "The Specialist"). Historically, when Stallone has played serious he's done puppy-dog. Here, he drops the self-pity and has honestly rarely been better.

Of course, another way of looking at this serious stuff is that it's a waste of our time. "Grudge Match" is funny enough that it should be funnier. And where its leads actually do train their hearts out — in montages that, regrettably, weren't ghost-directed by Stallone, the reigning king of directing training montages — the screenplay gets lost in stock situations. It's not a good sign when De Niro is the most alert — but then, he's finally seemed to have woken up after years of sleepwalking through paychecks. This is a paycheck, too — a paycheck job about a paycheck job, which doesn't make it good.

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Metro rounds up what's in cinemas this week.

Audiences love watching the "Paranormal Activity" films, which use technology to deliver scares. / PARAMOUNT PICTURES

2 'The Wolf of Wall Street' Martin Scorsese returns to the "Goodfellas" genre he created with this look at Jordan Belfort (Leonardo DiCaprio), a real-life superbroker who in the '90s swindled innocent people out of hundreds of millions, all while surrounding himself with drugs, hookers and flying dwarves.

3 'The Secret Life of Walter Mitty' James Thurber's slender short story about a shy daydreamer has been in the works for decades, only to wind up a Ben Stiller film about taking the bull by the horn — you know, exactly the opposite message of the source.

4 'Grudge Match' Two movie boxing legends — Robert De Niro and Sylvester Stallone — duke it out in this dramedy, though the real bout is over which one will escape with his dignity.

5 '47 Ronin' A much-filmed true Japanese story — which already became a 1941 masterpiece by Kenji Mizoguchi — gets fitted with American money, plus dragons, weird beasts, shapeshifting henchwomen and a sad Keanu Reeves.

6 'Inside Llewyn Davis' The Coen brothers hit up the Greenwich Village folk scene of the 1960s, relentlessly torturing a musician (Oscar Isaac) as uncompromising as he is unpleasant. Carey Mulligan and Justin Timberlake are among the unfortunates who know him.

7 'Anchorman 2: The Legend Continues' Adam McKay should probably really be doing a second "Step Brothers," but there's no shame in wanting more Ron Burgundy and co., even if the first has become tragically over-quoted.

8 'American Hustle' The once "difficult" David O. Russell is on his third awards-gobbling romp in recent years, with an absurdly powerful cast — a fat, toupeed Christian Bale and a dolled-up Jennifer Lawrence, for starters — filling out this telling of the larger-than-life Abscam FBI operation of the '70s.

9 'Frozen' The Hans Christian Andersen favorite "The Snow Queen" gets Disneyfied in the latest cartoon extravaganza, which also makes room for a talking snowman (Josh Gad).

10 'The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug' Peter Jackson's hubristically supersized version of J.R.R. Tolkien's first, slender trip to Middle Earth enters its second three-hour installment, with Martin Freeman's hairy-footed adventurer fighting spiders, orcs and a great big dragon.

Must-see

1 'Paranormal Activity: The Marked Ones'

The fifth entry in the deathless found footage series loses "Catfish" directors Henry Joost and Ariel Schulman, but gains Michael Landon's son (promoted after writing the other sequels).

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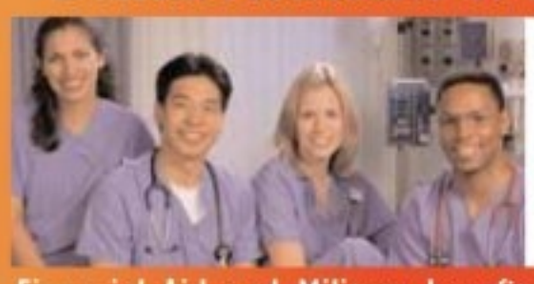

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The biggest bling of 2013

So many new rocks on starlets in 2013, so little time. Here's a round up of the biggest celebrity engagements — and rings — of last year.

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1 Kim Kardashian

Kim Kardashian posted this photo on Instagram of daughter Nori holding her huge engagement ring on New Year's Day. "It was an amazing year!!!" she wrote. Considering her rock — which Kanye West gave to her in an epic proposal (he rented out AT&T Park in San Francisco) — may be valued at $8 million, she is very right.

INSTAGRAM

2 Scarlett Johansson

In September, Scarlett Johansson surprised the press and public by flashing this Art Deco engagement ring at the Venice Film Festival given to her by French boyfriend Romain Dauriac. Not much is known about the ring — or the mysterious Dauriac.

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3 Savannah Guthrie

"Today" show co-anchor Savannah Guthrie was all smiles as she debuted this gorgeous engagement ring from her fiance, political consultant Mike Feldman, on the air in May.

GETTY IMAGES

4 Gabrielle Union

Dwyane Wade proposed to Gabrielle Union last month with this ginormous ring, rumored to be worth close to a million smackers. But will this stunner make up for Wade's ways? He announced last month that a son was born to him the month before ... with a woman who was most decidedly not Gabrielle Union.

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5 Hayden Panettiere

Although she had been flashing this bling all summer, Panettiere finally confirmed her engagement to her world heavyweight champion boyfriend Wladimir Klitschko this October on "LIVE with Kelly and Michael."

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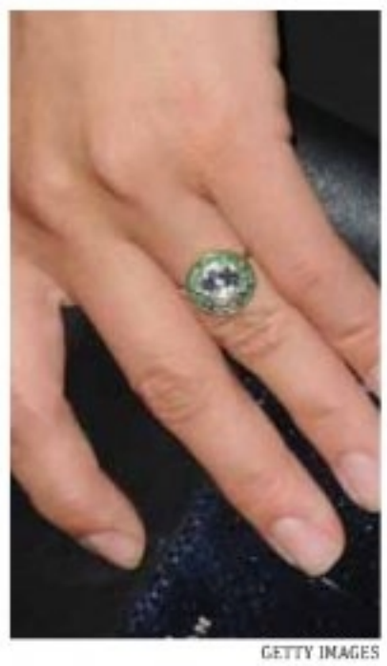
6 Olivia Wilde



Olivia Wilde announced her engagement to Jason Sudeikis last January. She showed off this round diamond surrounded by an emerald halo sparkler on the red carpet soon thereafter.

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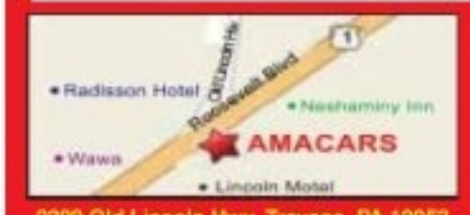

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♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan 20. Today will be busy and demanding. Stay focused on what needs to be done.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb 18. Don't be deceived by rumors; someone may be trying to manipulate you. Use your own judgment and avoid risk-takers.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. Take some time to be alone. Leave your work for tomorrow. This is a good day to muse about the past and the future. You'll feel better prepared to make changes after you've had a break.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20. Keep pace with the go-getters. You are too busy to make time for people with no direction. Do what's best for you.

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21. It's a good day to find ways to pick up new skills and knowledge. You'll get ahead if you continue to solidify your assets.

♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20. Get a checkup if you have been having health concerns. Don't let things slide. Follow through with your goals to give yourself a greater sense of purpose.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22. You may want to check up on someone. Your intervention may not be welcome, but it will be helpful.

♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. Maintain a skeptical attitude. Insincerity from your acquaintances is likely to lead you astray. You'd do better to focus on your professional life instead of personal concerns.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. It's time to take care of unfinished business. Let go of projects that have no legs, and instead focus on those with promise.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. To avoid conflict, you should maintain an impartial point of view. If you are critical, you will meet with resistance.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. Close listening will be beneficial. Your observations will provide insights that will change your path. If you put yourself in someone else's shoes, you'll feel fortunate.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. It's time to enjoy friends and thought-provoking entertainment.

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Letters

Those who obey the law have no fear

Re: 'Who needs enemies when you have the government?' (Metro, Jan. 2) I think it's very unfortunate that letter writer Janice Amato objects to the decision by the judge who decided that the NSA's spying is legal. As long as we are not doing anything wrong, we don't have to worry about punishment from our government. The people we need to be fearful of are terrorists like al Qaeda and terrorist collaborators like Lynne Stewart. After all, it wasn't our government that massacred almost 3,000 people in one day.

JOHN FRANCIS FOX, VIA EMAIL

Hypocrisy takes wing

Re: 'Oh, for duck's sake' (Metro, Dec. 23) I am really disappointed in this letter and had to write. The call of bigotry, I feel, was correct. But in the final line it ridicules Christianity and any other religion with the line "worldview that isn't rooted in ancient mythology/idiocy." How dare she. How is it OK to call the cast of "Duck Dynasty" bigots, then in the same breath put down Christianity? I think she needs a clue about what bigotry is.

BOB CHARETTE, VIA EMAIL

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3 Arthur of tennis
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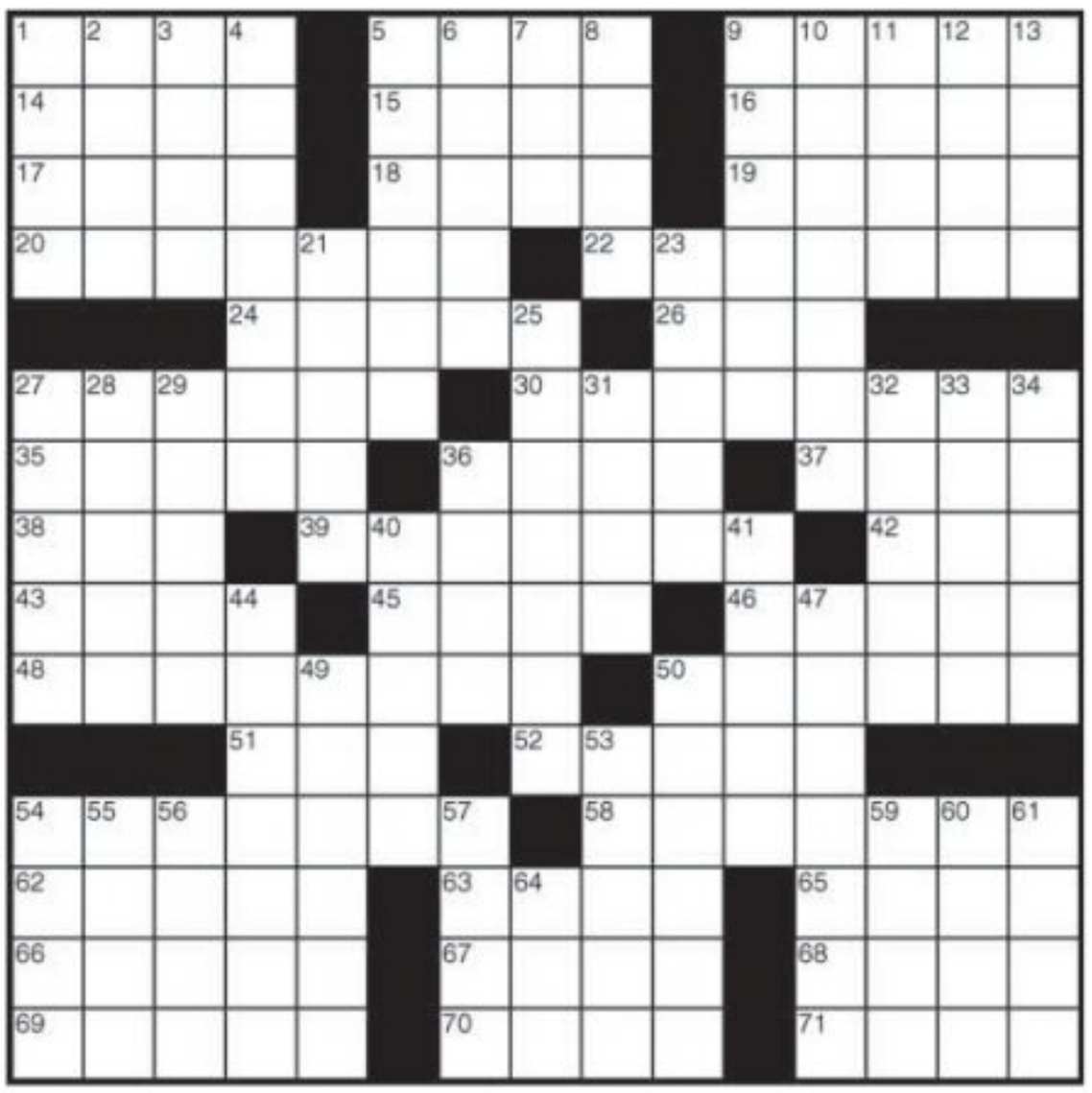

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From Foles to first

Is Nick Foles ready for a third straight prime time win? Find out Saturday, Jan. 4, at 8:10 p.m. on NBC. / GETTY IMAGES

Numbers crunch.
Nick Foles has set records this season. Now the QB has to prove himself in the playoffs.

It was just over two months ago when the quarterback situation in Philadelphia seemed as if it couldn't get any worse. Michael Vick reverted to his injury-prone self, Nick Foles was out with a concussion, and Matt Barkley showed he wasn't exactly ready to lead an NFL team. The result was a 3-5 team that scored a season low three points against the Cowboys.

Today, on the cusp of the first playoff game in Philadelphia in more than a year, the Eagles have perhaps the best quarterback situation in the entire NFL. Their starter, Foles, has already made an impact on record books and has a football behind glass in Canton.

Foles leads the NFL with a 119.2 QB rating, a top five rating in the history of the league. He also has the best touchdown to interception ratio ever: 27 touchdowns to just two interceptions. Among his single-game accolades is a seven-touchdown game against the Raiders, tying the NFL record.

"I don't really concern myself with that," Foles told reporters before beating the Cowboys last Sunday. "The numbers don't mean anything."

Foles began the season as Michael Vick's backup, but an injury gave the Arizona product his second opportunity to lead the Eagles after starting a few games last year. As a result, the Bird finished the final eight games of the season at 7-1.

"He's having a heck of a year and it's a credit to him," Kelly told reporters last week. "That's one thing about him. Each week he keeps improving, and he does little subtle things where you're like, 'Yeah, he's got it.'"

Foles also has better weapons than any quarterback in history, according to the stats. This year's Eagles are the first squad ever to have a quarterback with a rating over 100, a 1,600-yard rusher, LeSean McCoy, and a 1,300-yard receiver, DeSean Jackson.

He also has productive tight ends in Zach Ertz and Brent Celek, slot options in Jason Avant and Riley Cooper, and a head coach known for offensive prowess.

It's the perfect storm for Foles, who will face high school alum and fellow NFL record-holder Drew Brees in what could be a slugfest Saturday night.

Beyond the statistics

Eagles head coach Kelly knows that all those numbers are behind them. The playoffs are a second season, and it is all about smart practice and being the better prepared team.

- "We are concerned with how do we prepare to play a really good Saints team," the coach told reporters, "and that's all we can really be concerned with."

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Chip Kelly on Nick Foles

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Earl Wolff will be a useful addition to the secondary with five pass breakups and an interception. / GETTY IMAGES

Eagles fairly healthy as they head into playoffs

NFL. Earl Wolff was back to practice on Thursday after missing the final game of the season at Dallas.

This time of the season, it is not unusual for NFL teams to be pretty bruised and battered. The Eagles however, have stayed relatively healthy and look to be headed into Saturday's wild-card battle with the Saints at near full strength.

Backup center Julian Vandervelde sat out practice for the second straight day Thursday with back issues, but after missing Wednesday safety Earl Wolff returned and will likely be back Saturday for the prime time matchup.

Wolff said he "felt good," and the knee injury he originally suffered in early November, before reaggravating two weeks ago against the Bears, is nothing that will hold him back.

The Eagles need help in the secondary and Wolff's availability will be an asset defending against New Orleans' full arsenal of receivers — including Marques Colston, Kenny Stills and Lance Moore.

Wolff was the Eagles' fifth-round pick in the 2013 draft.

Other players on the injury report practiced Thursday as well, including Jason Avant, Brandon Boykin and Mychal Kendricks. All are expected to play come kickoff.

By the numbers

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Safety Earl Wolff, who should be good to go Saturday after missing practice Wednesday, has 45 tackles this season.

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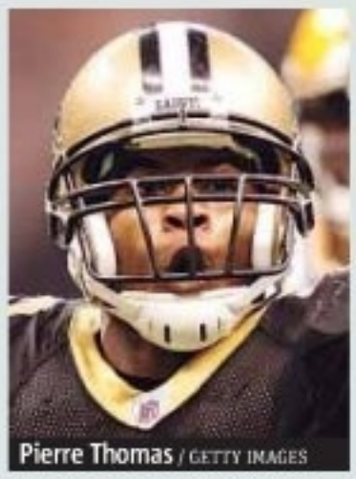
Saints injuries

Thomas again sits for Saints during practice

The biggest waiting game on the injury front from either team in Saturday's matchup will likely involve Pierre Thomas.

The Saints running back was held out of Thursday's practice for a second straight day as he deals with a chest injury. He popped up on the injury report for the first time Wednesday, and head coach Sean Payton has been very cryptic about the malady. "Nothing specific right now, his chest from last week's game," Payton told reporters Thursday.

If Thomas is not ready to go, former Heisman winner Mark Ingram will likely get the start. Thomas has 549 yards and two touchdowns this season, while Ingram has 386 yards and one touchdown. Thomas, however, is a weapon in the passing game, with 513 yards and 77 catches, plus three more touchdowns. METRO



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3 Things to watch: Saints vs. Eagles

Saturday's matchup seems more complex the more you break it down.

The Saints, a perennial playoff powerhouse, come to town seemingly under the radar, with the dynamic duo of Sean Payton and Drew Brees still one of the most potent in all of sports.

And then there are the Eagles — from last to first, youthful, hungry, record-setting, but also inexperienced and under pressure from the national media and a rabid fan base.

Here are some of the top stories to look out for Saturday night.

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Baby, it's cold outside

New Orleans doesn't like playing in cold weather. There is no way to dispute that.

The Saints' record in away games with a starting temperature under 40 degrees is 2-6, dating back to 2006. Those two wins were against 4-12 teams too. Kickoff should be pretty frigid, with snow surrounding Lincoln Financial Field and the wind chill expected to be well below 20 degrees.

But even if it were warm outside, the Saints would still have issues. The team is 3-5 away from the Superdome this year, and has lost all three away playoff games since Brees and Payton came to Louisiana.

Of course, none of this means anything when the two clubs step on the field under the lights in South Philly, but the weather and home field are two advantages for the Eagles in this wild-card playoff game.

Kelly vs. Payton

Sean Payton / GETTY IMAGES

There could be fireworks. Two revolutionary offensive coaches, jam-packed with some of the best weapons in the NFL, will clash in a win-or-go-home battle to head to Carolina in the divisional round.

"I think any time your play caller and your quarterback are on the same page, that's a bonus," head coach Chip Kelly said of Payton and Brees.

"I think they have been together long enough where — I think part of being a good play caller is making sure that you're calling things that your quarterback is comfortable with, and I think Sean has got a really good understanding of what Drew wants to do."

But it seems like Kelly and quarterback Nick Foles have similarly gotten into sync, as Foles led the league in quarterback rating and has the best touchdown-to-interception ratio ever.

The Eagles average 160.4 rushing yards per game and are second in total offense. They are also fourth in total scoring.

The Saints sport a better than average defense, but struggle against the run, ranking 19th. Good news for LeSean McCoy, the rushing champion.

Inexperienced offense

The Saints have won a Super Bowl. The Eagles have not. But most of this young Eagles squad hasn't even played in a playoff game.

Kelly obviously hasn't coached one yet, this being his first year in the NFL, but the anchors of the Eagles' high-powered offense have very little points of reference as the second season begins.

The three most experienced members of the Eagles' attack are McCoy, DeSean Jackson and Brent Celek, but that doesn't say much. McCoy has had 17 postseason carries in two games, Jackson 16 receptions over five games and Celek, the most experienced, has 24 catches in five games.

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Former Nittany Lions linebacker declares for draft

NCAA. Former top recruit Khairi Fortt transferred to Cal after the scandal involving Jerry Sandusky.

Another underclassman will declare for the NFL Draft. Metro has learned Cal linebacker Khairi Fortt will forgo his final year of eligibility at the Pac-12 school.

Fortt, a transfer from Penn State in the wake of the Jerry Sandusky scandal, made 22 appearances for the Nittany Lions. He sat out the 2012 season but earned the starting linebacker spot this past season and finished with 64 tackles, third on the Golden Bears.

Fortt spent two seasons at Penn State. / GETTY IMAGES

He had a career-high 13 tackles in a 52-34 loss to Ohio State on Sept. 14 and was one of 12 semifinalists for the Butkus Award this year, given to the nation's top linebacker.

One NFL scout, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, thinks the 6-foot-2, 240-pound Fortt has the makings of a solid NFL outside linebacker and could be ideal for a 3-4 defense.

"He covers a lot of ground, from sideline to sideline," the scout said. "He's quick with good instincts. He's a sure tackler."

As far as a draft grade, the scout said he would feel comfortable with Fortt being taken "in the third to fourth round, but he could test well and teams will love the eyeball test. He looks great coming off the bus."

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Scott free

Scott takes PGA award over Woods

The continuing resurgence of Tiger Woods wasn't enough to beat out Masters champion Adam Scott for player of the year, as voted on by the Golf Writers Association of America.

Scott won four tournaments, including two on the PGA Tour, while Woods won five — but no majors. Woods lost by five votes out of 218. METRO

Smith to Bucs

Bucs find their coach

The Bucs are reaching into their past to hire Lovie Smith as their new head coach.

Smith, who was an assistant under Tony Dungy from 1996 to 2000, replaces Greg Schiano. METRO

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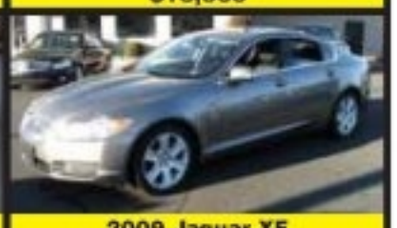

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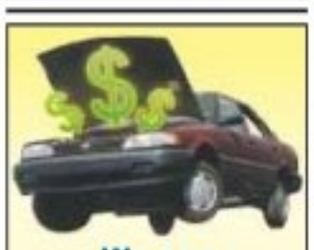
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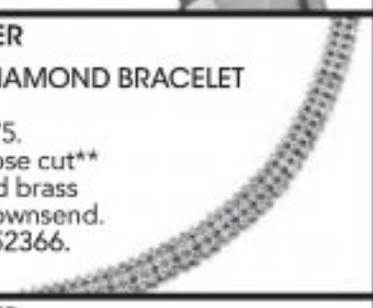

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